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A program is being held to showcase the relationship between astronomy and sacred music in Booth Library.

The event will be Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in the Booth Library Atrium.

Celestial Suite is a musical piece in five movements representing astronomers and physicists, including Copernicus, Galileo, Newton, Hubble and Hawking, that will be played by members of a brass quintet, according to the event on Eastern's website.

Copernicus (trumpet) will be performed by Jenny Brown, assistant professor of trumpet, Galileo (French horn) by Jessica Pearce, adjunct professor of horn, Newton (tuba) by Evan Kelsick, instructor of tuba and euphonium, Hubble (trombone) by Will Porter, instructor of trombone, and Hawking (trumpet) by an invited guest artist, Keven Lewis.

The movements will relate to the sacred music of each of the individual astronomers' and physicists' lifetimes.

Between each movement performers will introduce their movement by speaking on who their music will represent, the sacred music of that time and how the music will be explored in each movement.

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